

## The Way of Our World

**IN THE DAY'S NEWS—**  
Rabbit Barrymore, who has been ill with influenza is reported improving.  
A 90-year-old woman learned to drive a car in half an hour in England.  
The "pen-knife" derived its name from a knife specially made for sharpening quill pens.  
The wife of Eugene O'Neill, noted dramatist, is going to Reno to institute a divorce suit.  
Prof. Albert Einstein left Berlin unexpectedly to avoid being feted on his fiftieth birthday.  
A Boston man has had both of his arms amputated as a result of grabbing hold of a live wire.  
Nearly fifty women are learning to fly in Canada, and two have already received pilots' licenses.  
The Bombay Government has found that prohibition on liquor and drugs is unworkable in India.  
A motorist residing at Wiesbaden, Germany crossed the ice on the North Sea by motor car one day last week.  
The village of Almedralejo, Spain, is plastered with signs promising heavy penalties to those who insist on wearing hats.  
A New York minister gave a sermon based on Al Johnson's popular song "There's a Rainbow 'Round My Shoulder."  
The University of California Extension Division has opened a new course for women entitled, "Women and the Law."  
Because of poverty, unemployment, or blighted love, twenty-one persons attempted to commit suicide in Vienna, Austria, in one day.  
A reporter in Houston, Tex., bought a 100,000-pound disused bridge from the mayor of the city for 10 cents.  
One hundred Minnesota high-school students are on a strike in an attempt to force the State Board to reconsider the dismissal of the superintendent.  
Fifteen Berlin judges and barristers have begun a special course of motor driving in order to equip themselves for their duties in the courts dealing with motoring cases.  
The United States with a population of 120,000,000 has more than 200 broadcasting stations while the rest of the world with some 1,175,000 people has about 500 stations.  
German natural scientists have estimated that one pound of nitrogen fertilizer if properly used will produce 100 pounds of grain, 45 pounds of hay, and 20 pounds of potatoes.  
Llewellyn Williams of the botanical staff of the Field Museum of Natural History is planning a solo trip of 200 miles with the help of natives up the Amazon River to Iquitos in eastern Peru.  
R. Cantu, Lara, Mexican consul for Dallas, reports that he is swamped with applications from Texans asking for positions with the Mexican government as airplane pilots and machine gun operators.  
The mother, father and sister of E. E. McConnell, assistant local advertising manager of the Toledo News Bee, were burned to death when fire destroyed their home at Charlotte Courthouse, Va., today.  
The lowering of the level of Lake Mead, Italy, as a result of the pumping operations has left high and dry a number of large square blocks of stone indicating the presence of an old Roman road.  
Two students at the National Technical School at Strasburg, France, played a joke on Mr. Dehler, the president of the Radical Party, making him lose his way from Saverny to Strasburg where he was to deliver a speech.  
Four persons were killed early today in a grade crossing collision between a Lehigh Valley railroad train and an automobile, near Wilkes-Barre.  
Four carriages of an express train on the Sanyo Railway from Shimonoseki overturned near Tokyo, Japan, early today with great damage and loss of life reported. Early reports said probably 200 persons had been injured or killed in the wreck.

## —AND SOME HUMOR—

His wife had gone to visit her mother and had telephoned that she would not be returning until the morning.  
When she got back she said to her husband: "You managed to find something to eat last night, didn't you, dear?"  
"Oh, yes," he replied, cheerfully. "I had the steak that was in the pantry and tied it with some onions that I found in the cellar."  
"Onions?" she gasped. "Darling, you've eaten my bulbs!"

## COMMENTS ON LIFE

An aim in life is the only fortune worth finding.—Archbishop of Wales.  
Hardy's words have always comforted me. He would say that if one rose from one's writing desk at the end of a long session, not having written one thought, one had done one day's work.—Beatrice Harraden.

## —AND SOME VERSE—

Alpine Violets  
A miracle, disclosed to-night,  
As feathered flakes of snow!  
It is as if it were God spake!  
And all the blossoms were awake!  
These couriers appear to wear  
The form of pigeons, in the air,  
Above the leaves bent low  
Their wings, still hovering, like the  
Are of a white transcendent.  
Drift memory, they bring to me,  
And breathe of Alpine purity,  
While through my room there seems  
To blow.  
This message from the Alpine snow!  
—Oto Lagom, Translated from the  
Danish by E. A. Koefoed.

ENGINEERS TO  
END WEEK AT  
BALL TONIGHT

100 to Attend Dinner  
at Tiger Preceding  
Dance

## MRS. HURTY IS HONORED

Students Hear Addresses  
by R. E. McDonnell  
and E. E. Wall

After three days of activity, the ninth annual Engineers' Week will come to a close this evening when students, faculty members, and alumni of the College of Engineering gather for the annual banquet to be held at the Tiger Hotel, followed by St. Pat's Ball, the gala event of the week.

One hundred plates have been reserved for the banquet to be held at 6 o'clock this evening, according to Leigh Icke, who has charge of the banquet program.

Robert E. Lee, nationally known as an after-dinner speaker, will deliver the key speech of the banquet. Mr. Lee is manager-secretary of the Automobile Dealers' Association, St. Louis. He spoke to the engineering students two years ago and was cordially received. Dean E. J. McCauley is expected to make a short talk, also.

Mrs. Jane Hurty Honored  
Guests invited to the banquet are President and Mrs. Stratton D. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Lee, St. Louis and Mrs. Jane Hurty, one of the four women to receive the honorary degree bestowed by St. Patrick.

St. Pat's Ball, when the queen will be crowned immediately following the third dance, will start at 8:45 o'clock in the Women's Gymnasium. Attendance has been limited to 150 couples.

The dance will be given in carnival style. Green and white streamers will decorate the ballroom, and two orchestras will furnish the music. St. Patrick leads the grand march with the queen, who is elected by student vote from a field of eight candidates.

Alumni were entertained this morning in the office of Dean E. J. McCauley. Headquarters for all St. Pat's was held there from 9-2 o'clock.

Entertaining with a green tea, Mrs. Jane Hurty had open house for alumni, former students, and guests this afternoon from 2-4 o'clock in the Engineering library.

St. Francis Dam Failure Told  
Speaking before 400 students yesterday afternoon in the University Auditorium, Robert E. McDonnell, consulting engineer of Kansas City, spoke graphically on "Lessons Learned From the Failure of the St. Francis Dam," the huge dam that collapsed in California destroying 160 lives and causing a loss of property of \$19,000,000.

Mr. McDonnell, who is a graduate of Leland Stanford University, was a classmate of Herbert Hoover. Mr. McDonnell recounted the taking of a picture of four of the students, including Mr. Hoover, upon the suggestion of Mr. Hoover that "some day one of us might become famous."

In discussing the dam failure, Mr. McDonnell stated that many causes had been attributed. The two most plausible reasons blame the failure upon unsuitable foundation groves that were easily soluble in water, or upon an earthquake fissure which caused a fault in the foundation.

The St. Francis Dam is directly connected with the aqueduct that furnishes water to Los Angeles. Requiring two years' construction time, the dam reached a height of 212 feet.

California Now More Careful  
The dam broke suddenly and unexpectedly according to Mr. McDonnell. It was inspected daily and no one suspected that the foundation was gradually crumbling. "This is a case where a geologist would have saved lives and property," said Mr. McDonnell.

When the dam broke, the water swept sixty-five miles downward to the sea, destroying orange groves and crushing an entire camp of workmen. The city of Los Angeles assumed all damages.

"California is making careful investigations of its dams now," the speaker stated. There are about nineteen large dams in the state with thousands of people living below them.

Of equal interest with the St. Francis dam failure was Mr. McDonnell's account of a new dam to be built across the Colorado River. It is to be 700 feet high and will be built at a cost of \$38,000,000. An army of 15,000 men working seven years will be needed to construct it.

Mr. McDonnell states that engineers are making the utmost of investigations before starting construction on the new dam. They are handling rough, by inadequate records of the waterflow of the Colorado River.  
E. E. Wall Addresses Students  
Mr. McDonnell's lecture was illustrated with colored stereopticon slides. Following his address, the engineering students were shown a three-reel moving picture of the building of a bridge across a part of the Grand Canyon, Arizona.  
Edward E. Wall, C. E. '84, consulting engineer, St. Louis, also spoke on "The Profession and Practice of Engineering."  
Mr. Wall stressed the fact that students of engineering should pay attention to the business side as well as the technical. He said that

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## The Weather

For Columbia and vicinity: Mostly fair tonight and Sunday; somewhat warmer Sunday; lowest temperature tonight about 32.

For Missouri: Mostly fair tonight and Sunday; somewhat warmer Sunday.  
Shippers forecast: Within a radius of 200 miles of Columbia the lowest temperatures are expected to be about as follows: North 30, East 36, South 34, West 30.

Weather conditions: The center of disturbance has advanced from St. Louis to New York City. The rain area extends from Missouri to New England. It was still raining early this morning Illinois eastward. Skies have cleared in the Gulf states bringing relief to the flood district. Some snow was mixed with rain yesterday in Missouri but melted about as fast as it fell. Clear sky at the western border early this morning. A moderate freeze runs southward into northwest Texas. There was no freezing in Missouri. Sunshine and moderating indicated for Sunday.

Highest temperature here yesterday was 46; lowest last night, 34; precipitation, 1.84.

EAKER STARTS ON  
PANAMA FLIGHT

Noted Pilot Leaves Texas  
in Dawn-to-Dusk  
Attempt

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., March 16 (U.P.)—Braving dangers of high mountains and possible death in a wilderness, Capt. Ira Eaker, noted endurance and war pilot, hoped off here at 4:08 a. m. on a dawn-to-dusk flight to Panama.

The nose of his ship "Pan-American," christened by a feminine hand, was pointed southward to follow the sun across five nations, by gulf shores, over lofty Mexican peaks and along isolated coast lines of the Pacific.

By sundown Eaker hoped to land on France Field, Panama Canal Zone. His ship, the God-speed of Miss Mary Fehet, daughter of the U. S. Air Corps commandant, who christened it here a week ago.

Eaker faced almost ideal flying conditions as he nosed through the morning mist of the Gulf to the south.  
"It's now up to my engine," Capt. Eaker remarked as the hum of his motor began. "I have good weather, a good plane and I should make it."

More than 1000 persons braved the early morning to witness the take off at the airport here. The crowd was enthusiastic in their well-wishing of successful flight to the former pilot of the famed Question Mark.

The take off was short and snappy. Capt. Eaker scanned a weather report, climbed into the "Pan-American," and after waving to the cheering crowd, raced the plane's motor.

The "Pan-American" seemed to leave the ground almost immediately. Eaker circled the field to get his bearings and then headed for the south.

To Land Only Once  
Eaker expected to land only once during the 1900-mile trip. He was to land at Tampico, Mexico, at about 6 o'clock this morning to refuel.

The pilot said he expected to land at France's Field, Panama, between 6 and 6:30 p. m. tonight.

Eaker appeared fresh and in excellent physical condition when he arrived at the field today.

He gave the plane a rapid inspection, made sure the gas supply was adequate and saw to a few minor adjustments before he donned his helmet.

Successful completion of Eaker's attempt will mark it one of the major aviation feats of the year.

While first stages of the journey offer no particular hazards, rugged peaks of inner Mexico and possible fog and rain on the Pacific side of Central America present challenges to the most daring of fliers.

The route from Brownsville to Miami, a distance of 600 miles, is at sea level and ideal for flying. In addition it is on the shores of the Gulf of Mexico.

But from Vera Cruz and Tabasco and directly across the state of Chiapas in Mexico, flying becomes dangerous due to mountain ranges and thinly inhabited country.  
A forced landing in these mountains would not only endanger Eaker's life but would make it exceedingly difficult to find him.  
The jump from Chiapas in Mexico will carry Eaker across the Pacific coast and the shore lines of Guatemala, Salvador, Nicaragua and Costa Rica, where he again will have a sea level route to the far side of Panama.

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EDWARD BROWN,  
M. U. BUSINESS  
MANAGER, DIES

Entered Hospital for  
Treatment Early  
Last Fall

## CAME FROM K. U. IN 1914

Is Survived by Daughter,  
Margaret, and Sons,  
Ben and Mark

Edward E. Brown, business manager of the University, died last night at the University Hospital.

Mr. Brown had been ill for a number of years. After a visit to Arizona last summer in an effort to regain his health he returned to Columbia in the fall to resume his duties. His condition did not improve and he entered the hospital for treatment, remaining there until his death.

Mr. Brown, who was 53 years old, was a native of England. He came to the University in 1914 from the University of Kansas where he had served as business manager. He is survived by one daughter and three sons; two sisters and three brothers.

Those at his bedside at the time of his death, besides relatives, were Dean F. A. Middlebush, Prof. Jay W. Hudson, and J. R. Jordan. The Boone County National Bank has been named administrator of his estate.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Episcopal Church with the Rev. David R. Haupt in charge. Burial will be in the Columbia Cemetery. The pallbearers will be:

Active: Prof. H. M. Reese, Prof. Horace F. Martin, Prof. F. A. Middlebush and Prof. Jay W. Hudson.  
Honorary: President Stratton D. Brooks, R. B. Price, Prof. Guy V. Head, Berry McAlester, Charles Bowling, Leslie Cowan, J. R. Jordan, and Prof. E. B. Branson.

Relatives and friends of Mr. Brown prepared for The Missourian the following biographical sketch and tribute:

A Pioneer in Kansas  
"Edward Ernest Brown was born at Knebworth in Hertfordshire County, England, Nov. 27, 1875. His father, Benjamin Brown, hoping for larger opportunities for his boys, brought the family to Osborne County, Kansas, in the spring of 1882. Here they built up a new home on a ranch of many hundred acres along the Paradise Valley near what is now Natoma.

"These were pioneer days; the nearest town then was twenty miles away. Yet in spite of hindrances and obstacles Knebworth Ranch became known throughout the country for its prosperity, its beauty, and its hospitality.

"Mr. Brown, a lover of nature, an amateur geologist and naturalist, planted gardens and orchards, built rustic bridges and arbors in his leisure moments besides taking the leadership in township affairs. The boys attended the country school, later the schools of Russell and Osborne. Their summers and all holidays were spent outdoors riding, shooting, hunting, herding sheep long days alone among the bluffs of the wild, southern stretches of the ranch. These occupations developed in the boy Edward, his dominant traits—love of the great outdoors and its solitude, self-reliance and independence.

Had Business Education  
"When part of the family went to Lawrence in 1892 for better educational advantages, Edward was with them. He graduated from the Lawrence Business College, then was for a while assistant in a lawyer's office in Osborne. In 1894 opportunity gave him a place as stenographer in Chancellor Snow's office at Kansas University. By sheer industry and natural ability he worked his way up as private secretary, assistant business manager, and finally business manager. He held this responsible position for years, when he resigned and accepted the same post in the University of Missouri.

"In 1911 he married Miss Anna Ray of Kansas City. He built a home on Mt. Oread and there were born two of their children, Ben and Margaret. Margaret was born in Columbia.

"Mr. Brown was not of a social nature though he had a ready wit and a capacity for loyal friendships and close comradeship with a chosen few. He was a man's man, happiest tramping the woods with dog and gun or kodal or camping in the mountains, fishing and exploring.

Joined Gold Rush  
"His love of adventure led him to join a K. U. party bound for Nome, Alaska, in the days of the gold rush. The objective was to find a new invention for extracting gold; but this proved impracticable, and experience was the chief reward.

"Another summer was spent following the trail by stream and portage through Canadian forests. He brought back vivid artistic photographs of scenes en route and many an interesting tale.

"While at Lawrence week-ends were often spent at Lakeview where he built his own cabin, with its fireplace of great boulders, with his old home town, was given an ovation and wished God-speed on his new venture.

Refuels at Tampico  
TAMPICO, Mexico, March 16

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CONTEST WINNERS  
ARE ANNOUNCED

Centralia Students Take  
Two Firsts, One to  
Murry Girl

Winners in the county intercollegiate spelling contest held at the Courthouse yesterday were announced this morning by C. K. Northcutt, county school superintendent, as follows:

High School Division—First, Velma Chapman, Centralia; second, Maxie Bledsoe, Ashland.  
Grade School Division—First, Herbert Trumble, Centralia; second, Rebecca Berkeley, Hallsville.  
Rural School Division—First, Dorothy Rice, Murry; second, Mamie Lela McLean, O'Rear.

First place winners will represent Boone County in the district spelling meet at Kirksville on April 6. Contestants winning at Kirksville will go to the state meet.

The pupils and teachers at the Educational Day program yesterday attended a free matinee given by the Missouri Theater.

TO WIDEN 9-FT.  
SLAB ON NO. 63

Highway Dept. Will Let  
Contracts for Work  
in April

Highway 63, running north from Columbia, is to be paved this year to a width of 19 feet from Hinton to the Randolph County line, according to R. C. Brownlee, right-of-way engineer for the State Highway Department.

Mr. Brownlee, who is in charge of Division 3, is at present in Columbia interviewing landowners whose property adjoins the present 9-foot slab on the highway north of Hinton. It will be necessary to secure permission from the landowners to use six inches of their property on which to dump excess dirt which will be taken from the roadbed when paving operations start.

The contract for the laying of the slab will be let sometime in April and paving operations are to be begun immediately after the granting of the contract. It is expected that the highway will be completed early in the summer, according to Mr. Brownlee.

The present system of road building in Missouri calls for a 30-foot slab on all the important thoroughfares in the state. It has been decided by the highway department, however, that the laying of an 11-foot slab beside the present 9-foot one will unbalance the road too much, so a compromise has been effected whereby a 10-foot slab will be laid, making the road 19 feet wide, said Mr. Brownlee.

Widening of this highway is part of the road building program which was approved by the voters in the recent general election in which \$75,000,000 was voted to the state for the improvement of highways. This will be one of the first contracts to be let under the new road-building program.

The muddy condition of the roads near Columbia has hindered Mr. Brownlee in his efforts to see the persons owning land along the right of way, but he expects to have this phase of the work done in a week or ten days so that everything will be ready for the laying of concrete as soon after the granting of the contract as possible.

MISSOURI RIVER  
RISES RAPIDLY

Flood Warning Issued  
Here Today by U. S.  
Weather Bureau

The United States Weather Bureau today issued this flood warning to day:

As a result of heavy rains the Missouri River is rising rapidly from the mouth of the Grand River to Jefferson City and below. The stage reading at Booneville at 7 a. m. this morning was 19.4 feet. A 30-foot stage or more is expected by Sunday morning. The flood stage is 21 feet. Water probably will go out of the banks in low places.

## CAPT. HARRISON IN HOSPITAL

To Go to Washington, D. C., as Seen  
as Able, for Treatment

Capt. William F. Harrison will go to the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D. C., for treatment as soon as he is able to make the trip. Capt. Harrison spent several weeks in the Station Hospital at Ft. Leavenworth, but returned here two weeks ago. He has been in the University Hospital for several days, suffering with sinus trouble.

Change of Venue Granted Ashbury  
Judge H. A. Collier granted a change of venue this morning in the case of the State of Missouri vs. Thomas Ashbury from the Boone County Circuit Court to the Callaway County Circuit Court at Fulton. The case will come up there in the May term of court. This trial of Ashbury charged with the murder of Matt Frost, was to have been held here Monday.

Constance Talmadge to Wed in May  
HOLLYWOOD, March 16 (U.P.)—Constance Talmadge, blonde screen comedienne, will make her third matrimonial venture in May by becoming the wife of Townsend Netcher, wealthy Chicago merchant. It was announced here today.

Mr. and Mrs. Bicknell Improving  
Judge John S. Bicknell, city clerk, the "fil" was at his office this afternoon. Mrs. Bicknell is valancing at her home from the "fil."

THOUSANDS ARE  
HOMELESS AS  
WATERS RISE

Southeastern Alabama  
Inundated—Death  
Toll Mounts

## 4000 MAROONED IN ELBA

Disease Threatens Area  
as Calls for Rescue  
Go Out

MONTOOMERY, Ala., March 16 (U.P.)—Thousands of persons in southeastern Alabama are marooned on house-tops and trees and unless aid reaches them immediately, the death toll may be heavy.

In a flight over the flood district late yesterday, hundreds of persons were seen clinging precariously to house-tops or floating downstream with bits of wood or anything else that floated.

Just how many of them already were dead and how many others will be dead by tomorrow, there is no way of telling. Damage is enormous. Water is everywhere. The sea is under water with the exception of two or three of the tallest buildings. Rivers and creeks are raging torrents which struggle grimly to uproot the remaining houses on which the refugees stand to send out their piteous cries for help.

25,000 Homeless in Alabama  
The disaster that has left 25,000 persons homeless in Alabama and possibly many dead, spread to Georgia and northwestern Florida today, sending additional thousands from their homes.

The situation remained too confused to know the actual number of dead, but a few first hand reports of drownings were made.

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THREE PETITIONS  
CIRCULATED TODAY

Two Ask Minimized Action  
in Questionnaire  
Cast at M. U.

Three different sets of petitions were placed in circulation among the students of the University this morning in regard to the sex questionnaire problem.

Two are for presentation to President Stratton D. Brooks asking for a minimized action in the matter and especially seeking a release of responsibility for Dr. H. O. DeGraff of the sociology department. One, a general petition in behalf of Dr. DeGraff, begins its text as follows:

"We, the undersigned, in the interest of fair play to all concerned and deploring any and all blame that may seemingly attach to Dr. H. O. DeGraff, a well-loved instructor, and to our University, in connection with the questionnaires that were given unwarranted and necessary publicity by those ignorant of the clean purpose and constructive policy of the sociology department."

Another petition in behalf of Dr. DeGraff in circulation is to be signed by members of the council in the Faculty of which Dr. DeGraff is the instructor.

A third petition in circulation is one in behalf of all parties who have been censured in this matter. The following statement was drawn up today by the unanimous vote of the Chi Omega sorority:

"With the desire to register our part of the student sentiment of the University of Missouri in regard to the recent questionnaire scandal, we hereby express our severe condemnation of it. We regard it as an insult to every University woman who received one."

"While we appreciate the efforts of the administration, the students and friends to protect the students and to protect the sentiment of the students and should be expressed. We appeal to the chivalry of the men and the good taste of the women in the University to join our protest."

"We would regret drastic action that would injure any individual, or cause the removal of any member of the faculty, but we sincerely hope that a policy will be established which will protect us from such salacious exposure in the future."

A petition disapproving of the recent questionnaire sent out to students and asking the Board of Curators and President Brooks for the dismissal of persons connected with the University and responsible for the petition is being circulated among the women of Columbia by Dr. J. A. Cole. Forty-five women signed the petition at a dinner given by the Methodist women today. It will be circulated further.

GIRARD, Kan., March 16 (U.P.)—E. Haldeman-Julius, publisher of the little blue books, today threw his hat into the ring in the controversy arising over the "sex questionnaire" at the University of Missouri.

In an open letter to the student body the Kansas publisher vigorously denounced action of the University administration in taking steps against students and professors concerned. He scored the attitude of critics as malicious and "inspired by groups of Babbitt business men."

He urged students to assert their right of free discussion of a "problem so vital to human welfare" and invited them to state their case to the public through his publications.

HIGHWAY 63 LOW  
BID IS \$41,470

South Dakota Firm Submits Offer to  
Cutler

The C. H. Atkinson Paving Company, Watertown, S. D., has submitted the low bid for the construction of two and a half miles of concrete road at the end of the present pavement on Highway 63, just beyond Orderville Creek, south of Columbia, at a cost of \$41,470.

## JOURNALISM ALUMNI HERE

Mr. and Mrs. George LeCron are on way to Effingham, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. George LeCron of Colorado Springs, who were graduated from the School of Journalism in 1922, are in Columbia today on their way to Effingham, Ill., where they will attend the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. LeCron's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. LeCron.

Mr. LeCron is a member of the staff of the Colorado Springs Farm News. Mrs. LeCron was formerly Miss Augusta Spencer, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Spencer, 207 Edgewood Avenue.

CHURCH LEADERS  
CONFER TODAY

Union of South and North  
Methodists Here Is  
Expected

Federation of the Northern and Southern Methodist Churches was expected to be effected at a meeting of committees representing the two church units this afternoon. At the morning session, a special committee was selected to look into the problems of federation and report their findings this afternoon.

The Northern Methodist were represented here by Bishop E. L. Waldorf of Kansas City, father of John Waldorf, student in the University, and chairman of the northern committee; Dr. G. A. Robert; Dr. R. H. Schmitt; Dr. E. C. Morgan; Dr. H. J. Bane; and Dr. S. B. Campbell.

Bishop W. F. McMurray of Central College was chairman of the southern committee, which was composed of the Rev. R. C. Holliday, J. B. Swinney, J. D. Randolph, C. W. Tadlock, and Lin Murrell.

At the morning session of this group, no decisions regarding federation were reached. A major part of the discussion was over the question of student representation. Bishop McMurray was elected chairman of the conference with H. J. Bane, pastor of the Turkio Methodist Church, was elected secretary. Three members of the northern delegation and three members of the southern delegation were selected to outline a program for federation and plan details for membership privileges and financial equalization under the new system.

This committee was composed of H. J. Bane, pastor of the Turkio Methodist church; George L. Waters, student pastor; F. P. Stephens, secretary and treasurer of the Methodist Building Committee, and Manuel Drumm were present as invited guests.

Members of the local church gave the visitors a luncheon in the Tiger Hotel Ball Room at noon today. One hundred and fifty-five Methodists attended. Of this number, fifty-five were students of the University. Dr. Brooks of the University gave a short address and several church men including Dr. Good of New York were introduced. Bishop McMurray was toastmaster.

At the afternoon session, the Rev. M. N. Waldrip of the Missouri Methodist church; George L. Waters, student pastor; F. P. Stephens, secretary and treasurer of the Methodist Building Committee, and Manuel Drumm were present as invited guests.

BIG BATTLE MAY  
BE ON TOMORROW

Calles Believes That Escobar's Men Will  
Not Fight

JUAREZ, Chihuahua, March 16 (U.P.)—Americans returning to Juarez today from Chihuahua City and Torreon, rebel strongholds, said the biggest battle of the present revolution is expected in the region possibly tomorrow.

The Americans said Gen. J. G. Escobar's lavishly equipped private train stands in the Torreon yards, a locomotive under a full head of steam at each end for quick action in case of battle with Calles' troops, now approaching Torreon from the south.

Other reports from rebels in Chihuahua said that insurgents had captured a federal supply train in Nuevo Laredo. The reports said a large supply of ammunition and equipment destined for Calles was taken with the train. Several federal guards with the train were killed, the reports said.

Federals at Torreon  
MEXICO CITY, March 16 (U.P.)—The advance troops of a federal army estimated at close to 30,000 men virtually were at the gates of the rebel city of Torreon today with every indication that the long-anticipated decisive battle at that city would never take place.

Gen. Vasquez Cordoba, advancing from Calles' headquarters in the captured city of Durango, apparently was leading the

St. Louis Couple Get License Here  
A marriage license was issued to Lawrence Reed and Bernice Turner, both of St. Louis, this morning by the county recorder.

TWO K. C. FIVES  
REACH FINALS  
IN TOURNAMENT

East-Southwest Game  
Will Also Decide  
City Title

## CONTESTS END TONIGHT

Chrisman and Pleasant  
Hope to Play for  
Third Place

Southwest High and East High, co-champions of Kansas City, will settle the city dispute and also decide which one is to carry away the title of state champion when they meet at Rothwell Gymnasium at 8 o'clock tonight in the finals of the state high school tournament.